

(9) The analysis of chapter 11 is amended by striking out:

"290. Rear admirals; retention on the active list; involuntary retirement."

and inserting in lieu thereof:

"290. Rear admirals; continuation on active duty; involuntary retirement."

SEC. 2. Subsection (f) of section 202 of title 37, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

76 Stat. 454.

"(f) The number of rear admirals on the active list of the Coast Guard entitled to the basic pay of a rear admiral of the upper half is one-half of the number of officers on the active list in grades above captain, less the number of officers serving in grades above rear admiral. If the division results in an odd number, the odd number shall be placed in the upper half. However, an officer who is entitled to the basic pay of a rear admiral of the upper half may not have his basic pay reduced solely because the number of rear admirals is reduced."

#### INTERIM PROVISIONS

SEC. 3. This Act is effective upon enactment except that continuation boards, pursuant to subsection (a) of section 290 of title 14, United States Code, as amended by this Act, may not be held until one year following enactment hereof. During the period of one year following enactment hereof the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating shall convene a board consisting of not less than three Coast Guard officers serving in the grade of vice admiral to recommend for continuation on active duty Coast Guard officers on the active duty promotion list serving in the grade of rear admiral, who during the fiscal year in which the board meets will complete not less than five years' service in that grade. Subsections (b) through (g) of section 290 and other sections of title 14, United States Code, as amended by this Act, apply to continuation board action taken pursuant to this section. No officer who is entitled to the basic pay of a rear admiral of the upper half may have his basic pay reduced because of the reduction which results from this Act in the number of officers entitled to the basic pay of a rear admiral of the upper half.

Effective date.

Ante, p. 756.

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#### JOINT RESOLUTION

October 2, 1972  
[H. J. Res. 135]

To authorize the President to issue a proclamation designating the week in November of 1972 which includes Thanksgiving Day as "National Family Week".

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the President is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating the week beginning on the Sunday preceding the fourth Thursday in November of 1972 as "National Family Week" and inviting the Governors of the several States, the chief officials of local governments, and the people of the United States to observe such day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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Designation  
authorization.

Approved October 2, 1972.